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Mr. James Lee, Regional Environmental Officer
U.S. Department of the Interior
Office of Environmental Project Review
Richard B. Russell Federal Building
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75 Spring Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: Notification of Negotiations for Remedial Design /
Remedial Action
Medley Farms Superfund Site
Gaffney, Cherokee County, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Lee:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has documented the release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants at the Medley Farms Superfund Site. Release(s) were indicated by the results of the Remedial Investigation completed in January 1991. On May 29, 1991, a Record of Decision (ROD) for the site was signed at EPA Region IV in Atlanta. The ROD documents EPA's selection of a remedy for cleaning up environmental contamination of soil and groundwater at the site.

Sections 104(b,c), 121(f), 122(j), 126 and other sections of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), clarify and define the respective roles of EPA and Federal, State, and Tribal Natural Resource Trustees. Specifically, those sections of CERCLA require EPA to notify the appropriate Trustees of potential natural resource damages emanating from a release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants and to coordinate with the Trustees in assessments, investigations, planning, and negotiations concerning the release.

Pursuant to Sections 104(b)(2) and 122(j), EPA hereby notifies the U.S. Department of Interior of potential damages to natural resources that may be under your jurisdiction resulting from a release under investigation at the Medley Farms Superfund Site. We also seek to coordinate



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negotiations with the potentially responsible parties to voluntarily conduct the Remedial Design/Remedial Action. However, please note that Congress has mandated certain limited time frames under Section 122(e) for negotiations with potentially responsible parties. Therefore, it is important that your Agency contact EPA as soon as possible should you wish to coordinate and/or participate in the anticipated negotiations. Please contact Ralph Howard, the Remedial Project Manager for the site, at 404-347-7791 or Ms. Elaine G. Levine, our attorney, at 404-347-2641. This will provide EPA with the maximum benefit of your expertise and unique perspective.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan Rogers".

Jan Rogers, Chief
South Carolina Section, North Superfund Remedial Branch